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## BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the License and Licensing Rights of

File No. CD-2008-00001

ALLIANCE TITLE COMPANY, INC.,

a California Underwritten Title Company,

ORDER TO CEASE AND DESIST AND NOTICE OF HEARING PURSUANT TO INSURANCE CODE SECTIONS 1065.1 AND 1065.2

Respondent.

Respondent ALLIANCE TITLE COMPANY, INC., is now, and since August 8, 1988, has been licensed by the Insurance Commissioner as an Underwritten Title Company in the State of California.

WHEREAS, Respondent ceased business operations on or about December 13, 2007, and WHEREAS, the "Net worth" of Respondent, as determined pursuant to California

Insurance Code section 12389, was a deficit of (\$50,620,609) as of November 30, 2007, and

WHEREAS, the "working capital" of Respondent was a deficit of (\$22,090,271) as of

November 30, 2007, and

WHEREAS, Respondent, is a person specified in Insurance Code section 1010, and

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WHEREAS, the above cited facts demonstrate that Respondent is in a financially

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hazardous condition and has committed or engaged in acts or practices which under the California

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Insurance Code would constitute grounds rendering Respondent subject to conservation or

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liquidation proceedings pursuant to the conditions set forth in Insurance Code section 1011(d),

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Insurance Code section 1065.2, irreparable loss and injury to the property and business of Respondent may occur unless the Commissioner acts immediately.

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NOW THEREFORE, the Insurance Commissioner intends to make such orders as are reasonably necessary to correct, eliminate and remedy the conduct and conditions set forth above.

Pursuant to Insurance Code section 1065.2 (a), Respondent is hereby ordered, pending hearing and any further orders of the Insurance Commissioner to be issued herein, to immediately CEASE AND DESIST from engaging further in the transaction, solicitation, negotiation, administration and writing of any new business of any kind in California. Any resumption of any such business may occur only upon the prior written consent of the Insurance Commissioner.

Further, Respondent is ordered not to transfer or remove any assets from the State of California without the prior written consent of the Insurance Commissioner, or to destroy or conceal the location of any books, records, or accounts.

Further, Respondent is ordered not to engage in any of the following transactions without the prior written consent of the Insurance Commissioner:

- (A) The sale, purchase, exchange, loan, extension of credit or investment of any assets with anyone, including Respondent's parent or affiliates;
- (B) Any guarantees or undertakings for the benefit of Respondent's parent or any affiliate which results in actual or contingent exposure of any of the Respondent's assets;
- (C) Any agreements which result in Respondent directly or indirectly assuming business from any person;
- (D) Any new or additional service contracts or cost sharing contracts with any person;
- (E) The issuance of any new stock or dividends or any other distributions to its stock holders; and
- (F) Any direct or indirect federal tax allocation transactions with any person;

  This Order may be amended or supplemented by such additional written orders as the Insurance Commissioner may find reasonably necessary to correct, eliminate and remedy the above conduct, conditions and grounds.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held before the Insurance Commissioner or his duly authorized Deputy at 10:00 a.m. on March 20, 2008, at the

Department of Insurance Hearing Room, 45 Fremont Street, 22<sup>nd</sup> floor, San Francisco, California 94105, for the purpose of considering and determining the matters set forth herein. The foregoing notwithstanding, the hearing may be held at any date, place and time to which the Respondent and the Department of Insurance agree.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and have affixed my official seal this 21st day of February, 2008.

STEVE POIZNER

Insurance Commissioner

By:

PATRICIA K. STAGGS Deputy General Counsel